

understood. He said the land would probably still be as valuable and I don't know whether I can make my point to him, so I am trying to again try to make a point. I don't think there is a flexibility in this bill to allow for drastic changes such as that, and it would be a drastic change. The next thing I question is I question the lowering of the value of the lands, particularly in the south and the southeast part of the state. Now let's compare their corn yield to the corn yield where I come from. We use irrigation and we get an average of about 130 bushel. I am going to assume that possibly they get 80 bushel down in the south and southeast part of the state. Well, you compare the 80 bushel yield to the 130, and it really amounts to more than that in dollars because they have no expense. The rain takes care of the irrigation. They have no power. They have no sprinkler expense. They don't have those expenses so an 80 bushel yield dollarwise, they make more profit. However, according to the bill and according to the map that you got, their valuation was lowered, as low...as much as 19 percent, 18 percent, 12 percent, and 22 percent, and I don't have a handle on how this was arrived at. The third thing is the people in the south and the east part of the state don't have to pay the 30 to 45 cents per bushel freight when they sell their crops. Now we have to pay that freight...

SENATOR BARRETT: One minute.

SENATOR HABERMAN: ...from western Nebraska to eastern Nebraska, but the people in eastern and southeastern Nebraska are nearer the ports. Therefore, their freight rate is much lower. So, as I say, I am uncomfortable with the bill. I am uncomfortable with the formula because I don't think that anybody can really sit down and explain it, and I just would prefer that we slow up a little bit, adopt the amendment, and take another look at it. Thank you, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Landis, then Senator Vard Johnson, then Senator Lamb. Senator Landis.

SENATOR LANDIS: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, I oppose the amendment. I appreciate Senator DeCamp's remarks with respect to the necessity of the E clause. Remember that when we say we are going to freeze values for a year, we are really flying in the face of the Constitution. Now